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For: PERPENDICULAR MAGNETIC RECORDING MEDIUM, MANUFACTURING

METHOD THEREFOR, AND MAGNETIC READ/WRITE APPARATUS USING THE

SAME

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows on the accompanying pages.

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